Minutes of the Wintringham Parish Council Annual Meeting and Parish Council Meeting.

Wintringham Community Hall, Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2022, 7.30pm.

1. The Chairman, Mr. Witty opened the meeting at 7.30pm and welcomed everyone present. There were apologies from Nick Waddington and Pat Pitcher

Present were: Peter Witty, Steve Spaven, Jennifer Leefe, Ken Harvey, Ben Jenkinson, and Philip Clark (Clerk).

Also present was Parish Councillor elect Tracey Ireland.

- 2. Acceptance of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 13th May 2021. Proposed: Mr Spaven, Seconded: Mrs Leefe. Carried unopposed.
- 3. Election of Chair and Vice Chair. Mr. Witty said he was prepared to carry on in the role of Chair as was Mr. Spaven as Vice Chair. Mr Witty for Chair: Proposed: Mrs Leefe, Seconded Mr Harvey. Carried unopposed. Mr Spaven for Vice Chair: Proposed: Mr Jenkinson, Seconded Mr Harvey. Carried unopposed.
- 4. The clerk read out the questions and his answers to the 'Governance Statement' in the annual return for year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022. Approval was proposed by Mr Spaven and seconded by Mr Harvey. Carried unopposed. The statement was signed by Mr Witty.
- 5. The clerk presented the accounting statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022. Approval was proposed by Mr Harvey and seconded by Mrs Leefe. Carried unopposed. The statement was signed by Mr Witty.
- 6. Approval of AGAR Certificate of exemption 2021/22.

Proposed by Mr Harvey and seconded by Mr Spaven. Carried unopposed.

7. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 24<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Proposed Mr Harvey, Seconded Mrs Leefe. Carried unopposed.

- 8. Action Plan from the meeting of 24<sup>th</sup> November 2021:
- (1) Village signs. Mr Witty said that these were nearly ready. They need galvanising and painting. It was decided to wait until the signs are delivered to decide the locations.
- (2) See (1) above.
- (3) Councillor Janet Sanderson could not be invited to this meeting as it was in the 'purdah' period prior to the local elections. Janet to be invited to a future meeting (or whichever candidate gets elected to the Thornton Dale & Wolds ward) after the election on 5<sup>th</sup> May.
- (4) Rob Witty has been asked to continue clearing the footpaths as far as the Church. He has so far got to Lakeside Cottage.
- (5) Ben has written to Ryedale District Council in response to development sites in Wintringham as part of the 'Ryedale Plan'.
- 9. Review of GDPR status. Mr Waddington, GDPR officer left notes with Mr Jenkinson. There have been no breaches of the regulations, no change in the data held by the Parish Council and no changes to the privacy statement.

- 10. The Clerk said he had received no notable items of correspondence.
- 11. Any other Business.

Mr Waddington (in his notes read by Mr Jenkinson) said that the Millenium Pond Management Plan has been completed and has been uploaded to the Wintringham PC section of the Ryedale District Council website. Barley straw is being used to keep weed at bay.

Mr Waddington's notes also reminded councillors of the enquiry from the War Memorials Trust about the War memorial needing maintenance. It is not known who is responsible for this, the Parish Council or the Estate? Mr Witty to ask the agent . The memorial needs cleaning and repointing and missing lettering replacing. The WMT said that grants are available to help towards this work. Clerk to progress this.

Mr Waddington's notes also asked that the Clerk ask councillors for agenda item ideas prior to meetings so that these can be put on the addenda if necessary to avoid putting them in 'Any Other Business'. This was thought to be a good idea. The Clerk to do this for future meetings.

Mr Witty brought for ward a point from Mrs Witty that she had observed that the Estate had cut down the bluebells in the wood near the Place Newton gates. She said this may be an offence. Mr Witty to make the Agent aware that there is concern about this in the village.

The councillors thanked the retiring councillors for their time and work. Mr Jenkinson in person at the meeting. Mr Witty to write to Mrs Pitcher to thank her.

Mrs Leefe asked if more trees could be planted in the Millenium Pond area. It was discussed and said that this had been tried before without success due to the nature of the soil and proximity to the pond. To be put on action plan to lookm at later in the year.

Mr Witty closed the meeting at approximately 8.30pm